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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were unchanged in the West and East, but higher in the Midwest when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was fully steady in the East, but fully steady to firm elsewhere. Retail and food service demand was fair to moderate, best for active retail ads and fast food promotions. Supplies of all sizes were adequate to well cleared for trade needs. In the parts structure, demand was moderate to fairly good. Dark meat was mixed, but available, with thighs and thigh meat in the closest balances. Breast items and wings were in good supply to tight and moving well. In production areas, live supplies were moderate to light. Weights were in a full range, but mostly desirable to light.

**Final Report** of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 14-AUG-2006 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	59.42
Chicago	63.00-66.00	64.95	33 :	66.75
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	65.71
Denver	76.50	76.50	13 :	77.25
Detroit	64.00-65.00	66.88	8 :	68.28
Los Angeles	77.00	75.88	67 :	75.59
New York	63.00-66.00	64.96	24 :	65.73
Philadelphia	62.50-64.00	63.27	11 :	64.75
Pittsburgh	62.00-65.00	63.82	11 :	69.03
St. Louis	64.25-64.50	63.93	20 :	64.77
San Francisco	77.50	77.09	32 :	73.67

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	08/14/06	Change Last Wk	08/07/06	08/15/05
516	69.04	2.61	66.43	71.32

**WOG BROILERS** (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delv'd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	68.00-70.00	68.38	35
Central	63.00-72.00	68.12	57
Western	67.00-74.00	70.76	34
<b>Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent</b>			
Mississippi	68.00-70.00	69.79	93

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 70.25 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,142	63.00-74.00	69.69

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	161.50	1,402
BREASTS - B/S	143.00	5,842
BREASTS - WHOLE	77.00	1,456
THIGH MEAT - B/S	86.50	1,138
LEG QUARTERS	39.50	9,167
WINGS	88.50	2,805

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**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was moderate to fairly good entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were adequate to well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels was mostly moderate. The market tone was fully steady. In the parts complex, breast items, tenders, thighs and boneless skinless thighs were in good balance to well cleared. Other items were adequate and clearing satisfactorily.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was at least steady to firm. Retail and food service demand was fair to good with good weekend clearances. Supplies of all sizes were in balance to well cleared for trade needs. In the parts structure, interest was moderate to good. Dark meat was sufficient to barely adequate, breast items and wings were well balanced to tight and held with confidence. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable to light.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Majority prices were unchanged from the previously reported prices. Trade sentiments were mixed with the market tone firm on new negotiations and steady on regular commitments. Offerings were generally adequate. Buying activity was good to cover anticipated features, elsewhere fair. Retailer demand was moderate to instances good. Dealers reported moderate week-end carryovers. The market tone was firm on breasts and about steady on balance of parts. Trading reported at 40-48 on leg quarters, leg meat mainly 95, bone-on breasts 84-101, and boneless breasts 123-131. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was up sharply to 70.04, and the volume reported was down 4 percent to 26 loads.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** The final majority prices for this week were higher from last Monday's final price in all locations; Ohio cities were TFEWR. Whole fryer market tone was fully steady to firm. Offerings were limited, trade needs mixed. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate for the most part with most activity surrounding retail promotions and fast food channels. Floor stocks were balanced to short; sizes desirable to light. Supplies of boneless skinless breasts were close to adequate, wings tight, and mixed on dark meat cuts. The trade sentiment was fully steady to firm on wings and breast items and generally steady on the balance of parts.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was moderate to good for early week business. Offerings were balanced to well cleared for immediate delivery. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable to light. Processor schedules were moderate but less than normal as spot down time was reported for today. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 64 to 77 cents. Trade sentiment was fully steady. In the parts complex, leg quarters were reported as unsettled to about steady. Most white meat items were noted as either balance to well cleared and in a fully steady to firm position.

\*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
RANGE	50-75
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying interest was fairly good entering the week. Offerings of most items were in good balance to well cleared. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to fairly good. The market tone was fully steady to firm for breast items, thighs, boneless skinless thighs and tenders; steady to fully steady for the balance of items.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	140	127.36	618,920
TENDERLOINS	135	120.10	193,680
BREAST - WITH RIBS	80-81	85.22	81,040
BREAST - LINE RUN	80	82.44	81,120
LEGS	49-50	47.87	120,140
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	38-39	39.87	175,000
DRUMSTICKS	37-38	42.63	67,360
THIGHS	33-34	41.81	51,400
B/S THIGHS	90-91	88.14	123,640
WINGS (WHOLE)	93-94	91.37	178,400
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.28	14,800
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	31.50	5,720
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	56.37	6,840

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

**ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,123	110.00-138.00	121-129	127.37
TENDERLOINS	223	125.00-152.00	-	134.96
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,057	35.00-43.00	35-36	35.37
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,107	37.00-42.00	38-39	38.26
WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,393	25.00-44.00	27	26.97

#### ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	08/14	08/10	08/10	08/07	08/03
Alabama	4,197	4,117	5.12	4,075	5.14
Arkansas	5,415	5,309	5.05	5,123	5.09
Delmarva	2,059	2,247	5.57	2,132	5.46
KY-LA-TN	2,308	2,244	4.94	2,223	5.09
Mississippi	2,872	2,811	5.65	3,109	5.55
North Carolina	2,606	2,614	6.48	2,592	6.41
Texas	2,503	2,528	5.26	2,547	5.18
Total	21,960	21,870	5.38	21,801	5.36
Mon	21,960(A)			21,801(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 14-Aug 2006 is estimated to be 32,855,000 up 0.43 percent from a week ago. and down 1.2 percent from a year ago. (last week 32,715,000 last year 33,248,000)

**SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	716	122.00-188.00	-	132.89
TENDERLOINS	208	128.00-178.00	129-133	132.40
BREAST - LINE RUN	114	76.00-80.00	78-79	79.09
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	220	45.00-63.00	46-47	46.82
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	590	32.00-38.00	34-35	34.75
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	797	34.00-40.00	37-38	37.23
WINGS (WHOLE)	285	85.00-92.00	86-89	87.98
WINGS (CUT)	245	104.00-109.00	-	106.80
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR AUG 14, 2006 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
49.00 - 55.00	52.38	51.54

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS** ICE-PACKED POOL

TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 14-AUG-TO 18-AUG-2006

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	116.00 - 137.00	121.00 - 130.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	74.00 - 98.00	78.00 - 83.00
LEGS	43.00 - 53.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	32.00 - 41.00	38.00 - 40.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	38.00 - 43.00	40.00 - 42.00
DRUMSTICKS	34.00 - 45.00	-
THIGHS	32.00 - 50.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	84.00 - 102.00	91.00 - 96.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 25.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 40.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 50.00	-

#### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	82.75-100.75
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	86.25-103.25

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP

FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

#### **DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)**

FRESH FRYERS	91-100
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-108
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-74
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

#### **SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY**

#### **DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 89-103
	DRY PACK 108-114
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 100
	DRY PACK 111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 88-102
	DRY PACK 102-109
DUCKS	185-190

**EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

AUGUST 11, 2006				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	17.50	18.00-19.00	492,000	212,000
WTD AVERAGE	17.50	18.57		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.50-21.00	14.00-16.00	2,084,000	1,404,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.98	15.35		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	120,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

AUGUST 11, 2006				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	14.50	18.00-20.00	218,800	-
WTD AVERAGE	14.50	18.83		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.00-20.00	13.50-17.00	1,882,400	891,600
WTD AVERAGE	16.01	14.94		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Prices were unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was light to fair at best and generally unaggressive for the fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product was light to fair. The undertone was no better than steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-AUG-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-8		5.00
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Trading levels were lower compared to the past week. Demand was light for ample offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Dressed sales were slow. Trade sentiment was weak.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 14-AUG-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-8		5.31

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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